

Lafayette Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee

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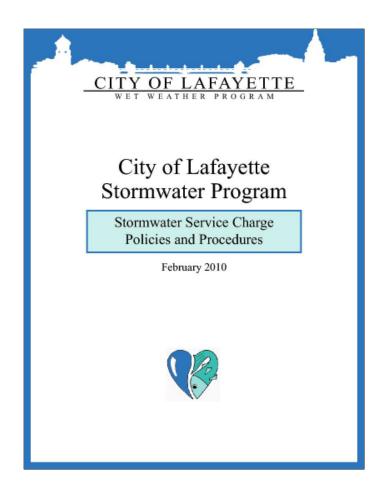
Meeting Agenda

- Policies and Procedures Manual
- Alternate Rate Class Application
- Billing Implementation





- Purpose
 - Present CityOrdinance 2009-20and its application
 - Will be a living document







Policies and Procedures Manual

- Table of Contents
 - Provides a quick reference for document topics

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Attachment 1 - Alternate Rate Class Application and Discharge Information







- Impervious surface
 - Illustrates what it is and isn't





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- <u>Examples of</u>
 <u>measurement</u>
 - Examples for both residential and nonresidential parcels

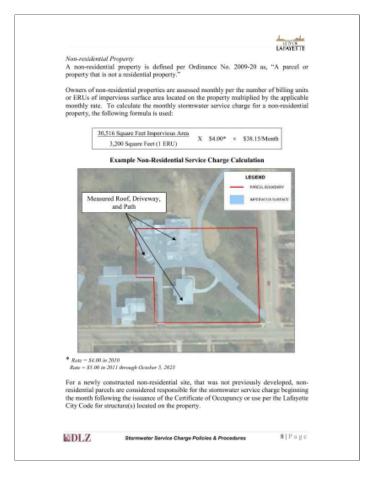






- Example calculations
 - Illustrates

 calculations for both
 residential and non residential parcels
 - Notes 2010 rates and rate adjustment in 2011 (\$4 vs. \$5)





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Policies and Procedures Manual

- Alternate Rate Classes
 - Discusses criteria for an Alternate Rate
 Class
 - Alternate A -\$2.50/month
 - Alternate B -\$1.54/month



Alternate Rate Classes for Non-residential Property

Ordinance No. 2009-20 creates two (2) additional alternate rate classes for specific Nonresidential properties or parcels which hold valid NPDES stormwater discharge permits issued by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). Qualifying NPDES permits include discharges exposed to industrial activities (Rule 6), runoff associated with MS4 conveyances (Rule 13) and or other related NPDES permits. The alternative rate classes are applicable as listed below.

- Alternate Rate A For stormwater discharges made directly into a watercourse within the City of Lafayette, the monthly stormwater service charge shall be calculated by multiplying the ERU by \$2.50.
- Alternate Rate B For stormwater discharges made directly into a watercourse outside of the City of Lafayette, the monthly stormwater service charge shall be calculated by multiplying the ERU by \$1.54.

The above alternate rate applies only to the portion of ERUs and/or property specifically covered by an active permit and that discharges into a watercourse. The monthly rate of \$5.00 per ERU applies to all other impervious surface area or ERUs.

To qualify for an alternate rate, the applicant is required to submit the following information to the city:

- 1. Completed Alternate Rate Class Application and Discharge Information Sheets
- 2. Specific NPDES permit certifications
- Current annual permit compliance reporting indicating that the applicant is in full compliance with all permit conditions and requirements.
- compliance with all permit conditions and requirements

 4. A map of the facility illustrating parcel and impervious surface area information, permitted discharge point and contributing drainage areas

Subsequent. NPDES permit compliance reports and continued permit compliance is required for qualification for an alternate monthly stormwater service charge. Applicants for alternate rate classes A or B should contact the City Engineer's office at (765) 807-1036 to inquire about application forms and alternate rate class requirements. Alternate Rate Class application materials are included in Attachment.

The city will track applicants' permit compliance through the IDEM public notice process. Alternate Rate Class applications are renewed on an annual basis.

B. Issuing Stormwater Service Charge Statements

Property Ownership

Ordinance 2009-20 establishes that the property owner is ultimately responsible for the assessed monthly stormwater service charge. The City of Lafayette created, implemented and manages a property owner's database for the purpose of issuing stormwater service charge statements. The property owner's database is constructed by the city with data



Stormwater Service Charge Policies & Procedures

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- Section 4. Account Review and Appeals
 - Describes process for account review and appeals
 - Includes account considerations



responsible for payment of the assessed stormwater service charges prior to and during review and appeal proceedings.

Any non-residential property owner aggrieved by a determination of multiple ERU's assigned to their property may seek a review of that determination by the City Engineer or her/his designee by calling the City Engineering Office at 765-807-1036 and providing the account number, the property address or the purcel identification, a description of the account dispute and the property owner's contact information. The account review will be conducted and a determination together with supportive documentation will be rowided to the property owner.

If the property owner is still aggrieved by the decision of the City Engineer, the property owner may file a written appeal summarizing their objection to the decision, with the Laflayette City Clerk's Office on or before 10 days after determination by the City Engineer.

The Clerk's Office will place said written appeal on the Board of Works agenda and said appeal will be considered at the next regular Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting. The Appeal may be heard at that regular Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting or the Board may schedule a special meeting for a hearing. At said Hearing both the property owner and the City shall present their evidence for a final binding determination by the Board of Public Works and Safety.

Stormwater Account Considerations

Tax exempt property owners are responsible for payment of the Stormwater Service Charges if impervious surface area is present on the property in question.

Property adjoining a residential property of the same account containing a garage not being used for commercial purposes will not be assessed a residential service charge.

Adjoining properties of the same account qualifying as residential and containing one common structure extending across the adjoining properties may be assessed a single ERII.

An agricultural property/parcel containing a dwelling unit such that it qualifies as a residential property will be assessed not less than one ERU.

Agricultural property containing structures considered impervious surface area are measured and assessed as non-residential property.

A property/parcel containing both residential and commercial structures and uses will be considered a non-residential property for assessment purposes.

Trails established and maintained by the City of Lafayette on or across private nonresidential property will not be assessed to the private property owner.



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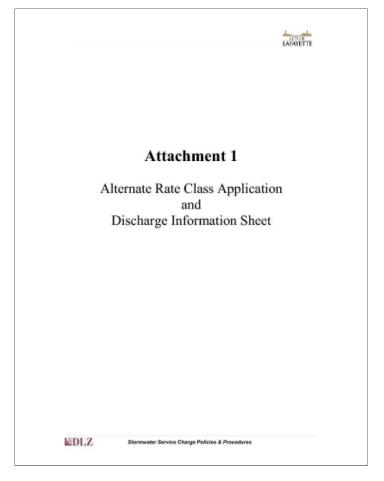


- Includes Outreach and Education
 - Acronyms and definitions
 - Ordinance can be found online





- Attachment 1
 - **Alternate Rate Class** Application and Discharge **Information Sheet**





Questions?







- Application Form
 - Complete application for each NPDES permit
 - Provide any needed supplemental information
 - Application renewed annually





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- <u>Discharge Information</u>
 <u>Sheet</u>
 - Fill out sheet for each approved discharge
 - Provide necessary supplemental drawings and illustrations







- City will work through application materials with applicants
- The are some cases of metered discharges to the city's wastewater treatment plant
- City will track applicants permit compliance with the Department of Environmental Management
- Applications need to be renewed annually (anniversary date)



Questions?



Billing Implementation





Billing Implementation

- Billing database and program being completed
- Billing will begin in March
- Various billing and payment options being considered for the future
- Additional outreach being planned as billing begins
- Capital project work will begin in 2010 as revenue begins coming in



Questions?

